

REMARKS / ARGUMENTS

Claims 115-129 are pending in this application.

The Examiner has requested the Applicant to disclose co-pending applications and related patents which may present double patenting issues with the claims of this application. Claims 115-129 were rejected over various co-pending applications and issued patents for double patenting.

Applicants appreciate the Examiner taking the time to discuss the double patenting issues last week during our trip to the Patent Office. As agreed, Applicants submit with this amendment a docket of co-pending applications which may have claims relevant to the pending claims in this application.

Applicants also submit herewith a copy of pending claims in a number of the copending applications for the Examiner to consider.

Applicants also submit herewith a Terminal Disclaimer over copending application 09/699,215 (Atty Docket No. 003-006C4) for which the issue fee has been paid.

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-412-3322.

Respectfully submitted,

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